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Condemning Pakistan's release of nuclear scientist Abdul Qadeer Khan from house arrest.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. ROYCE (for himself, Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, and Mr. MANZULLO) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

RESOLUTION

Condemning Pakistan's release of nuclear scientist Abdul Qadeer Khan from house arrest.

Whereas Dr. Abdul Qadeer Khan, former director of A.Q. Khan Research Laboratory in Pakistan and a founder of Pakistan's nuclear weapons program, established and operated an illicit international nuclear proliferation network, also known as the Khan nuclear proliferation network, which sold nuclear technologies and designs to an unknown number of countries, which greatly advanced their programs to acquire nuclear weapons and gravely threatened international security;

Whereas the Khan nuclear proliferation network provided North Korea with designs for uranium enrichment centrifuges;

Whereas the Khan nuclear proliferation network provided Iran with uranium enrichment centrifuges;

Whereas the Khan nuclear proliferation network provided Libya with designs for a nuclear weapon, as well as for uranium enrichment centrifuges;

Whereas Dr. Khan had been under house arrest since 2004 when he publicly confessed to running the illicit nuclear network;

Whereas, on February 6, 2009, the Islamabad High Court ordered Dr. Khan released from house arrest;

Whereas, upon Dr. Khan's release from house arrest, a Pakistan Foreign Ministry official declared Dr. Khan's case a "closed chapter";

Whereas the United States and the international community still does not know the entire extent of the activities of the Khan nuclear proliferation network, and the Government of Pakistan has refused to allow the United States Government, the International Atomic Energy Agency, or other independent investigators to interview Dr. Khan directly;

Whereas Pakistan was designated as a major non-NATO ally of the United States in 2004; and

Whereas the United States has provided approximately \$12,000,000,000 in assistance to the Government of Pakistan since the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2 (1) strongly condemns the release from house
3 arrest of Dr. Abdul Qadeer Khan, who established
4 and operated an illicit international nuclear pro-

1 proliferation network which sold nuclear technologies
2 and designs to an unknown number of countries;

3 (2) declares Dr. Khan to be a continuing pro-
4 liferation threat;

5 (3) declares that Dr. Khan should be required
6 to give a full accounting of the activities and partici-
7 pants of the network to the United States Govern-
8 ment, the International Atomic Energy Agency, and
9 other responsible parties;

10 (4) states that the willingness and ability of the
11 Government of Pakistan to carry out its non-
12 proliferation commitments should be a guiding ele-
13 ment in determining United States policy toward
14 that country, including with respect to United States
15 bilateral assistance; and

16 (5) regards a failure by the Government of
17 Pakistan to aggressively carry out its nonprolifera-
18 tion commitments as being incompatible with Paki-
19 stan's status as a major non-NATO ally of the
20 United States.

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